Isolations and characterization of highly water-soluble dimeric lanthanide citrate and malate with ethylenediaminetetraacetate

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Fig. S1 Anion structure of dimeric complex $(NH_4)_8[Ce_2(Hcit)_2(edta)_2]\cdot 9H_2O(2)$



Fig. S2 Anion structure of dimeric complex $K_8[La_2(Hcit)_2(edta)_2] \cdot 16H_2O(3)$



Fig. S3 Anion structure of dimeric complex $K_6[Ce_2(Hmal)_2(edta)_2] \cdot 14H_2O(5)$







Fig. S7 ¹H NMR spectrum of $K_6[La_2(Hmal)_2(edta)_2]$ ·14H₂O (4)



Fig. S8 1 H NMR spectrum of K₆[Ce₂(Hmal)₂(edta)₂]·14H₂O (5)







Fig. S11 ¹H NMR spectrum of K₄edta







Fig. S14 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of (NH₄)₈[La₂(Hcit)₂(edta)₂]·9H₂O (1)



Fig. S15 ^{13}C NMR spectrum of (NH_4)_8[Ce_2(Hcit)_2(edta)_2] $\cdot 9H_2O~(2)$



Fig. S16¹³C NMR spectrum of K₈[La₂(Hcit)₂(edta)₂]·16H₂O (3)

 13 C NMR of $K_6[La_2(Hmal)_2(edta)_2] \cdot 14H_2O(4)$



Fig. S17 13 C NMR spectrum of K₆[La₂(Hmal)₂(edta)₂]·14H₂O (4)



13 C NMR of K₆[Ce₂(Hmal)₂(edta)₂]·14H₂O (**5**)



¹H NMR of K[La(edta)(H_2O_3]·5 H_2O











Fig. S23 ¹³C NMR spectrum of K₂Hmal



Fig. S24 IR spectrum of (NH₄)₈[La₂(Hcit)₂(edta)₂]·9H₂O (1)



Fig. S25 IR spectrum of $(NH_4)_8[Ce_2(Hcit)_2(edta)_2]$ ·9H₂O (2)



Fig. S26 IR spectrum of K₈[La₂(Hcit)₂(edta)₂]·16H₂O (3)



Fig. S27 IR spectrum of $K_6[La_2(Hmal)_2(edta)_2]$ ·14H₂O (4)



Fig. S28 IR spectrum of $K_6[La_2(Hmal)_2(edta)_2] \cdot 14H_2O(5)$



Fig. S29 TG-DTG curve of $(NH_4)_8[La_2(Hcit)_2(edta)_2]$ ·9H₂O (1)



Fig. S30 TG-DTG curve of $(NH_4)_8$ [Ce₂(Hcit)₂(edta)₂]·9H₂O (2)



Fig. S31 TG-DTG curve of K₈[La₂(Hcit)₂(edta)₂]·16H₂O (3)



Fig. S32 TG-DTG curve of K₆[La₂(Hmal)₂(edta)₂]·14H₂O (4)



Fig. S33 TG-DTG curve of K₆[La₂(Hmal)₂(edta)₂]·14H₂O(5)







Fig. S35 XRD of CeO₂



 $\therefore m_{cat.} = 400 \text{ mg}, n_{CH4}/n_{O2} = 3, \text{ GHSV} = 7500 \text{ h}^{-1}$



Fig. S37 C₂ yield of OCM reaction over La₂O₃ $\ddagger: m_{cat.} = 400 \text{ mg}, n_{CH4}/n_{O2} = 3, \text{ GHSV} = 7500 \text{ h}^{-1}$

K[Ce(edta)(H ₂ O) ₃]·5H ₂ O ^a											
Compound	α-C	α -CO ₂	β-CH ₂ CO ₂	β-CO ₂		-CH ₂ N	-NCH ₂ CO ₂	-CO ₂			
2	79.0(1.3)	184.7(0.5)	47.7(-0.8)	181.6(-0.1)		45.2(-8.5)	62.4(1.3)	177.6(-0.9)			
5	71.5(0.5)	185.5(3.9)	43.3(0.8)	180.9(2.1)		41.3(-12.4)	60.4(0.3)	178.4(-0.1)			
[Hcit] ³⁻	77.7	184.2	48.5	181.7	[edta] ⁴⁻	53.7	60.1	178.5			
[Hmal] ²⁻	71.0	181.6	42.5	178.8	$\left[Ce(edta)(H_2O)_3\right]^{3-}$	36.6(-17.1)	58.4(-1.7)	178.7(0.2)			

 13 C NMR spectral data (in ppm) of complexes 2 and 5 K₂Hcit K₄edta K₂Hmal and Table S1

 $^a\ \bigtriangleup \delta$ values are given in brackets